

~~SECRET~~

Journal

Office of Legislative Counsel

Wednesday - 16 December 1953

- - - -

1. Messrs. [] of DD/P, accompanied by Legislative Counsel, discussed with Senator Knowland the possibility that the Senator would be willing to send a personal letter to Gen. Chiang Kai-shek regarding the stand taken by the Chinese Nationalists' Government against CAT. The importance of CAT to the ChiNat economy was stressed, and the supporting role of American Ambassador Karl Rankin in these negotiations was also stressed. Sen. Knowland stated that as a general rule he did not like to interfere in the internal affairs on Formosa, but that after further negotiations if we were still faced with an impasse he would be willing to write such a letter as we had suggested.

2. OSI has forwarded its views regarding the proposed amendments to the Atomic Energy Act of 1946, and I have discussed them at length with [] Mr. Amory, DD/I, and [] Mr. Amory will review the matter to determine the position of DD/I on this legislation in view of certain previous commitments made at the Planning Board and NSC.

~~SECRET~~